

Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

This Week

Today the children attended an assembly to celebrate Harvest Week. Father Justin from St James' Church led the event and the children sang harvest songs that they have been practicing over the last few weeks. Thank you to Father Justin for giving us his time.

Thank you to everybody who has donated. Please do continue to donate if at all possible. Our donation box will be in the school office for all of next week. The collected items will be split between our Food Hub and the Salvation Army. Our Ambassadors will be delivering the harvest gifts to the Salvation Army after half term.

Next Week

Next week is Parents' Evenings. Please make sure you have returned your slip to book your appointment. A reminder that all appointments are for 10 minutes. If you require extra time, please book another appointment to see the teacher through the school office.

You will receive a Parent Questionnaire when you arrive. Please try and make every effort to complete this and return to staff, as your comments and input will help further improve the school.

Half Term

This half term has flown by so quickly. We break up next Friday 20th October. It is a one week school holiday and all children will be expected to return to school on Monday 30th October.

Colds and Illness

As the weather is changing, we will start seeing more colds and short illnesses in the children. Children should still be in school if they have a cold and please remember we can administer any medicines in school. Just bring it to the school office and fill out a form, giving details of the dose and your permission to administer. If you would prefer your child to stay indoors for play whilst they are under the weather, this can also be arranged.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.
Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan: Head Teacher

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KEY DATES	
October	
TBC	Ambassadors Deliver Harvest Gifts
17th & 19th	Parents' Evenings
20th	Giles Watling MP Visit
20th	Last day of term
30th	Children return to school
Menu	WC October 16th Week 2

Attendance



Year	Last Week	This Week
Reception	92.6%	91.5%
Year 1	90.8%	93.2%
Year 2	92.1%	90.8%

Please be advised we will ask you for medical evidence if your child is absent for 3 or more days. This follows our School Policy. Should you wish to see the policy, it can be viewed on our website.



Reminders

Please ensure the following:

- Your child has a warm coat in school. 
- Your child has a labelled water bottle containing water only. 
- All clothes and items are clearly labelled.
- All earrings must be studs and not hoop. Please make sure earrings are removed on PE days.

Winter Coat Rail



As we enter the colder months, please be advised that CVST run a Winter Coat Rail at both sites.

A selection of pre-loved Coats & Jackets are available for **free** for anyone that needs one.

Collection Points:

Imperial House, 20-22
Rosemary Road, Clacton CO15
1NZ

Harwich & Dovercourt
Hubc276 High St, CO12 3PD
Open every weekday between
9am - 4pm

We also have a few good quality children's coats in our own Community Hub, free of charge. Please come and have a look!

Halloween Dress Up Day—Tuesday 31st October

A reminder that on the 31st October the children are invited to come to school dressed up to celebrate Halloween. We would ask for a donation of £1 to take part and all money raised will be used to purchase resources for the children. Tickets for the Halloween Raffle are on sale for £1 per strip.

There will also be a special Halloween dinner menu on that day. More information will follow shortly.

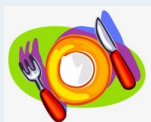


Community Winter Action Day

If you are worried about winter costs, including keeping warm, why not pop along to the Community Winter Action Day on Wednesday 18th October from 1pm-3pm. This event will enable you to meet organisations who can offer lots of help and support. More information can be found on page three.

Last Day of Term Friday 20th October. Half Term 23rd-27th October.
Back to School Monday 30th October.

Dinner Menu



Our school dinner menu will be changing when we return from the half term break.

There will be new exciting dishes to choose from.

A paper copy of the new menu will be sent home shortly, but don't forget, you can always find it on our website too.

Extra Information

Your Child's Learning Journey—A Meeting over Breakfast 17th October 9am



I think it is important for you to understand the learning journey your child is undertaking and to get an understanding of the elements that make the journey successful. Thank you to those who have put their names down. There are still some spaces but they must be booked by 10am Monday morning.

Donations of Spare Clothing



Our spare stock of school uniform and underwear are very low. I would be grateful for any donations of clothing and underwear that is in good condition. If your child is sent home in spare clothes, please make sure they are washed and returned to us for re-use as soon as possible.

Poppy Appeal



After half term we will be selling poppies for £1 each. Ambassadors will be visiting each class to sell them and they can also be purchased from the school office. All money raised will be given direct to the Royal British Legion.

Wednesday 18th October
1pm - 3pm



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BRINGING UNITY TO OUR COMMUNITY

Are you concerned about
keeping warm this winter?



Community Winter Action Day

St Christophers Church
Meadow Way, Jaywick
CO15 2HR

- Winter Warm items
- Family Support
- Help for the Elderly
- Benefit and Housing advice
- Food Support
- Cost-of-Living
- Resources to keep your home warm



Come along and meet
organisations offering your
family help and support.



01255 425692
www.cvstendring.org.uk

Bring your bike along for a
FREE Winter Safety Check